

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application as amended. Claims 1-30, 43-47 and 49-52 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 12, 23, 28, 43, 44, 45, 47, 49-52 have been amended. No claims have been added. No claims have been canceled.

The Examiner rejected claims 23-27 and 43-47 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. Applicant has amended the claims based on the Examiner's suggestions. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 101 has been overcome by the amendments and the remarks. Applicant submits that claims 23-27 and 43-47 as amended are now in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

The Examiner rejected claims 49-52 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Applicant has amended the claims to set forth the invention in more concise terms. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, has been overcome by the amendments and the remarks. Applicant submits that claims 49-52 as amended are now in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

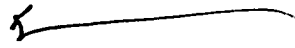
Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the rejections have been overcome by the amendments and the remarks and withdrawal of these rejections is respectfully requested. Applicant submits that Claims 1-30, 43-47 and 49-52 as amended are in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

If there are any additional charges, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any fee deficiency that may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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